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Docket No. AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER SPINE 3.0-437 Application No. Filing Date Examiner Art Unit 10/783,152-Conf. #7040 February 20, 2004 B. E. Pellegrino 3738 Applicant(s): Rafail Zubok and Michael W. Dudasik PARALLEL DISTRACTOR AND RELATED METHODS FOR USE IN IMPLANTING AN Invention: ARTIFICIALINTERVERTEBRAL DISC TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below. **CLAIMS AS AMENDED** Claims Highest Remaining Number Number After Previously **Extra Claims** Amendment Paid Present Rate **Total Claims** 14 20 Х Independent 3 3 = Claims Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) Other fee (please specify): TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT: x | Large Entity **Small Entity** No additional fee is required for this amendment. Please charge Deposit Account No. ___ in the amount of \$ A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. A check in the amount of \$ _____ to cover the filing fee is enclosed. Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached. × The Director is hereby authorized to charge and credit Deposit Account No. 12-1095 as described below. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. Credit any overpayment. Charge any additional filing or application processing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17. Dated: October 30, 2007 William A. Di Bianca Attorney/Agent Reg. No.: 58,653 LERNER, DAVID, LITTENBERG, KRUMHOLZ & MENTLIK, LLP 600 South Avenue West Westfield, New Jersey 07090 (908) 654-5000 I hereby certify that this paper (along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service on the date shown below with sufficient postage as First Class Mail, in an envelope addressed to MS Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. Dated: October 30, 2007 (William A. Di Bianca)